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## THE BISHOP'S PAGE

My Dear People:

We have come to the end of a busy year for our diocese, of which the highlight was the meeting of General Synod in our see city. As we look back, it is surprising to note how many changes there have been.

At the end of 1954 there were only 36 clergy actively at work in the diocese. The end of 1955 finds us much better off, for the number now is 42. However, this is still below the 1953 peak, and is even less satisfactory when we realize that our real present need is for 47.

On December 31st, 1954, the parishes of St. Paul's, Edmonton, St. Barnabas, Jasper Place, Mannville, and Westlock were vacant, and Kitscoty temporarily so. At the end of 1955 we find Ashmont, Jasper, Wabamum, and Winfield vacant. This is the same number of vacancies, but meanwhile we have made separate pastoral charges of Drayton Valley, Calder, Ponoka, Frog Lake, and St. George's Windsor Park. Thus there has been real advance.

During 1955 five priests left the diocese, and four came to us from other dioceses. We received six more clergy by ordination. Seventeen parishes welcomed a new incumbent and two others a new assistant.

As your bishop, I have found myself very busy keeping up with all these changes, and also in visiting the different parts of the diocese. I find that I have travelled some 28,000 miles during the year, of which 10,500 miles were in the diocese. These figures do not include a good many miles put on my car around the city of Edmonton and in short trips.



During the year I have visited 42 of our pastoral charges, and a total of 88 different congregations. I have held five Ordination services and 45 Confirmation services. I have preached 155 times, of which 119 were in the diocese.

All this, however, is past history. Now we must go forward into 1956. "Forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto the things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

The call for 1956 is Evangelism. In Lent your clergy will be preaching on this theme, and will be calling upon you to share in mid-week prayer that we may be truly guided to evangelize as God would have us evangelize. No one can "organize" a campaign of evangelism. We can only plan and pray so that our life, personal and corporate, will be open to the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and that we shall be ready to do God's will.

"Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven."
There is a motto for 1956!

May God's blessing rest upon you.

Howard Edmonton

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#### **EVANGELISM AND THE EPIPHANY**

1956 is to be an important year for the Anglican Church of Canada and for the Diocese of Edmonton. We have been asked to make it a "Year of Intensified Evangelism." The call has come from the recent General Synod. But it is first of all the constant call of the Holy Spirit to the Church.

From the start, Anglicans should understand that it is going to involve everyone in the church. Lay people as well as clergy are being called into action. As a first step, the Bishop has asked us to think and pray with our fellow parishioners to

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discover ways in which the world can be won for Christ.

While the results of "intensified evangelism" are in the hand of God, previous experience indicates this; it is very likely that the thing will flop if the response of lay men and women is lacking. But if the whole Church answers the beckoning of the Spirit of God then He will bring mighty results into effect.

A conservative streak to be found in the "established" and more sedate Churches tends to make them fear the word "evangelism." To evangelize means to proclaim the Good News of New Life in Christ. The New Testament heros always proclaimed this Good News with power and this was because it was always attended by the dynamic Spirit of God.

They were the weak, the foolish and the illequipped, but they were the great instruments of God — so long as they made the effort to proclaim the Gospel.

Conservatism is a good thing, so long as it means that you are waiting upon the guidance of God. But it is misguided if it leads you to think you have no part in Evangelism. Christians must be eager that the glory of God shine out into the world. Why else did Jesus come down from heaven if it was not so that all people in their several stations might see in His face the Glory of God?

There simply had to be an Epiphany. Without it Christmas wouldn't have meant anything much at all.

The Church, then which claims Christ, must embrace the consequences. Inasmuch as He is her eternal Life, "evangelism" is her temporal occupation.

#### BROADCASTING

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1—All Saints'	CJCA
8—St. Faith's	<b>CFRN</b>
15—Christ Church	CJCA
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### DIOCESAN NEWS



#### Bishop's Lectures on Church History continue this month

The lectures on Church History currently being given in All Saints' Cathefral Nave continue this month with the third lecture in the series being given on Monday evening, January 23rd at 8.00 p.m. The lecture will be concerned with the History of the Anglican Church in the 17th and 18th centuries. Previous lectures have dealt with the reformation on the Continent and in England. The final lecture will be given in February and will be concerned with the 19th century and modern times.

#### City of Camrose Loses Rector

The Rev. E. M. Evans, Rector of St. St. Andrew's Camrose has accepted an appointment to St. James' Church, Vancouver. To be one of three clergy of the staff there, he will work in a Mission of St. James Church soon to be created and will reside at the St. James Clergy House. He has been the Rector of Camrose for the past three and a half years, and rural Dean of Wetaskawin Deanery for the past year.

#### St. George's Church opens in Windsor Park

Edmonton's newest Anglican Church had its opening service on December 18, the fourth Sunday in Advent. A near capacity congregation took part in a service of Carols in the new building. The Church seats 250 comfortably with easily available space for extra seating.

Of modern design, the Church is nevertheless traditional in appearance. A wide chancel gives unobstructed view of the sanctuary and altar. A novel feature is the placing of the organ in a screened loft above and to the south side of the chancel.

The first celebration of Holy Communion took place on Christmas Day at 11.00 a.m., the Bishop being the celebrant. A hastily convened Choir, under the temporary direction of Prof. R. S. Eaton sang the Merbecke setting to the Eucharist. A good congregation was in attendance.

The Church is also equipped with a good sized Guild Room, choir room, a vestry and a Rector's Study and affords enough initial space for Sunday School.

### Priest from St. Faith's Mission to go to Jasper

The Bishop has announced that the Rev. G. A. Robinson of St. Faith's Mission, Edson will become the Vicar of Jasper in the New Year. The cure of souls at Jasper is expected to include the points of Hinton and Entrance as well.

Fr. Robinson has been at Edson for the past seven years and together with Fr. Buchner and Gardiner has served the large area in the western part of the Diocese known as St. St. Faith's Mission. His presence will be missed by many people in the Mission. He replaces the Rev. Donald Moore, who recently became Vicar of Sedgewick.

### Laymen's Banquet to be held at MacDonald

Dr. Harvey Hebb, Chairman of the Laymen's Banquet Committee has announced the following advance details of the dinner.

It will be held in the Macdonald Hotel on Monday, January 30th. Tickets to the dinner will soon be available at \$3.00 per plate. It is expected that at least 400 people will be present for this traditionally successful gathering of the Laymen of the Diocese of Edmonton.

The guest speaker will be the Rt. Rev. Tom Greenwood Bishop of the Yukon. You should inquire of your parson about tickets as soon as possible.

#### St. Mary's Parish Hall Opened and Dedicated

With a background of green boughs, twinkling Christmas lights and cut flowers, members of St. Mary's congregation (Anglican) saw their new parish hall formally opened and dedicated at a festive gathering held Wednesday, December 14.

Rt. Rev. H. H. Clark, Bishop of Edmonton, solemnly dedicated the structure and in rousing address pointed out the important function of a building such as this in the spiritual life of the congregation. Fellowship, he said, is a component part of the Christian Church

and bearing this in mind the new hall should serve a sacred purpose. Its use as a meeting place for Sunday school classes could not be over-estimated, he stated, and aside from this it would provide comfortable accommodation for meetings of organizations both young and old connected with church work.

The fine new building situated on 52nd Street directly north of the church is completed to a point where it can be put into use, measuring 48 ft. by 42 ft. it provides an upstair auditorium with a roomy modern kitchen adjoining, while downstairs are classrooms and washroom facilities. It is well lighted and has thermostatic heating.

Rev. J. Beairsto, vicar of the Parish, acted as master of ceremonies, and attending in person were Dr. and Mrs. G. Rogers of Ponoka United Church, and Rev. N. Gloeckler of Grace Lutheran. Letters of congratulations were received from former rectors—Canon W. Elkin and Rev. F.C. Smith of Edmonton.

Mr. J. W. Bowden, chairman of the building committee, told the story of the hall from the time the first sod was turned, May 10th, 1955, until the present. He mentioned the names of Billinghurst, Malcher and Phillips for personal work donated, and thanked all others who had assisted.

The audience was agreeably entertained with two selections by the choir under the direction of Mrs. J. Butterfield. Other numbers included a banjo solo by J. W. Bowden, accompained by daughter Winnifred, a vocal solo by Mrs. C. Knudsen, piano solo, Winnifred Bowden, and accordion selections by Don Campbell.

At the close of the program, Rev. and Mrs. Beairsto were called to the platform and presented with a beautiful standard lamp and smoker's stand. Mr. W. J. Young made the presentation and explained that it was a somewhat delayed wedding present from the parishioners. Mr. Beairsto expressed the gratitude of himself and his wife.

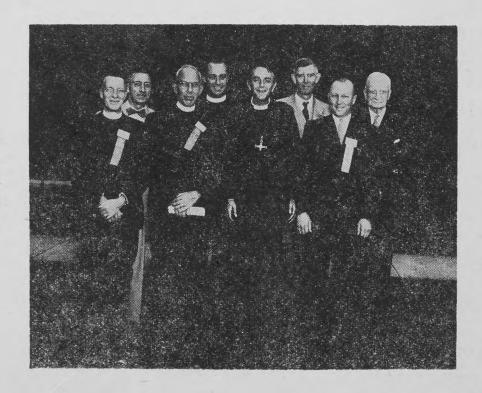
The evening ended with lunch served by the ladies of the parish. Pouring tea and coffee were Mrs. R. Peacock and Mrs. W. J. Young.

# General Synod, 1955, In Retrospect



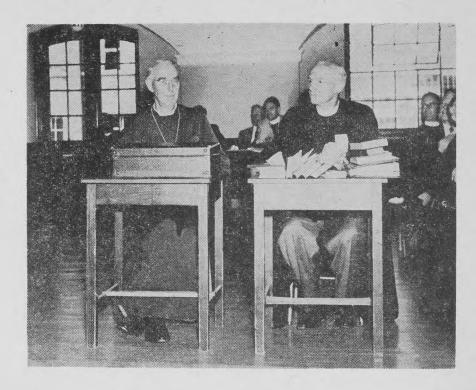
The procession enters All Saint's Cathedral to begin the session of General Synod, last September. Local clergy served crucifers and marshalls. To be seen here are: Canon C. E. F. Wolf, the Revs. David Jones and Les Corness, Canon Elkin and the Rev. E. M. Evans,

The Edmonton Delegation to General Synod. Shown here, from left to right are: Canon E. S. Ottley, Mr. Walter Hammett, Dean Sparling, The Rev. E. M. Evans, The Bishop, Mr. Clarke, Mr. Charles Fletcher, and The Hon. Frank Ford. Archdeacon Tackaberry is absent.



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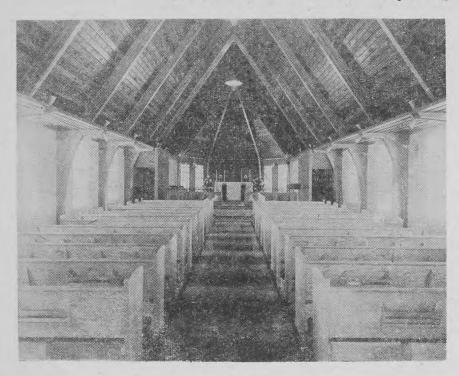
Two of the central figures in the report of the Committee on Prayer Book revision, Bishop Hallam and Dr. Armitage. The Synod will always remember the magnificent presentation of the Holy Communion Draft by the former.





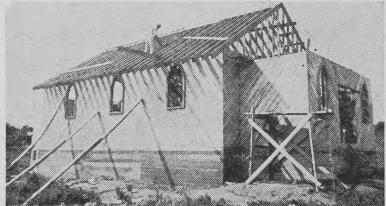
Archbishop Barfoot presenting the Bishop of Korea with a cheque for \$50,000 to aid relief in Korea. Seen also is Bishop Norris, Chairman of the Missionary Society Committee.

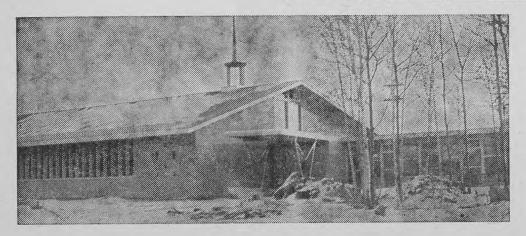
# Churches in Retrospect, 1955



The interior of St. David's Church, Edmonton opened All Saint's Day. It seats 200 people. The Vicar is the Rev. Harold Macdonald.

The Church of the Holy Nativity, Frog Lake, opened and dedicated by Archbishop Barfoot, September 4, 1955





St. George's Church Windsor Park, opened on the 4th Sunday in Advent. The Church will be dedicated on Jan. 25th St. Paul's Day

## CANVASS QUOTES

By Canon T. W. Teape Diocesan Commissioner

Nine churches in the diocese have held canvasses and have notified the Diocesan Commissioner of the fact. Undoubtly other parishes have had a whack at an E.M.V. and Canvass, but, like Dan McGrew, all the Rectors and Chairmen of E.M.C. Committees are strong silent men from the North - anyway they are silent. It is interesting to note that the canvassers belonging to the three largest churches, All Saints, Christ Church and Holy Trinity, made 1500 calls with Holy Trinity making 550 calls and the other two 475 each. The canvasses at Holy Trinity and the Cathedral were pedestrian affairs, by which we mean that the canvassers worked very hard and did a good job. But Christ Church is our pride and joy. Without even knowing that the Diocesan Commissioner existed, they took his advice, and carried the pledge cards with them. This was definitely a good thing and produced correspondingly good results. The total of the pledges at Christ Church was far in excess of the total pledged at either of the other Churches in question They must have a very progressive vestry. One thing puzzles us - the smallness of the parish rolls belonging to these reputedly influential parishes. There must be two or three other parishes in Edmonton who have more families on their parish rolls than either of these three churches. Could it, by the furthest stretch of the imagination be possible, (like those nylon socks you get at Christmas), -that Christ Church and the Cathedral did not visit ALL THEIR FAMILIES. No, a thousand times no. We thrust such a thought from us as utterly unworthy. It's just that not many people belong to these two congregations. (We are prepared to take this last statement back and offer a lengthy apology if there is any sign of resistance).

It is not at all surprising that all the churches who held their canvasses this Fall when it was suggested experienced an encouraging response. If all the churches in the diocese had held their canvasses at that time, the general result would be unbelieveable. St. Paul's have had one of the most successful

canvasses in their history. St. Michael's has doubled the budget. Wainwright, Wetaskiwin and Devon are all forging ahead as a result of energetic and rewarding canvasses.

Whereas the parishes enumerated above have taken the plunge and might even be heard to say: "Come on in, the water's fine," Kitscoty, Onoway, Killam and Clandonald are standing on the bank dabbling their big toes in the water and thinking how cold it looks. shall try to go to some of their points to give them a hand with their canvass. One of our Brethren of the clergy writes us and says: "You offer to come to us twice or thrice to give us a hand. How about seven, or until seventy times seven?" Well, we confess he had us at sixes and sevens for a moment but it is a thought, anyway.

IF ONE PERSON WANTS TO GET THE CANVASS DONE, IT GETS That is the sum and sub-DONE. stance of the whole thing. clergyman is the key man, because he provides ninety-five percent of the leadership in the parish, or maybe about four per cent more than that. The wail that there are too few canvassers merly means that the clergyman has not canvassed the canvassers. You have got to press the button before the car will turn over. In each of two tremendously successful parishes in the diocese there is one layman who wants the canvass to go over. It does. There no such thing as bad weather if you get going before the bad weather does. Read the Parish notes in this issue and you will note that a certain W.A. turned out almost 100 strong after the big blizzard. It was absolutely impossible to get into or out of the farms Nor are the old men worn concerned. out. One man, retired and over seventy, did a terrific job for a parish which had a scintillating canvass. Don't wait for the grain delivery quota. It has forty seven first cousins. No family in the diocese of Edmonton is contributing all it can afford. They said they were giving all they could afford in one Alberta town outside our diocese. were indignant, too.

## Missionary Prayer Corner

Let us give thanks

For the many years devoted service of Bishop Onishi of the Diocese of Mid Japan who has just retired at the age of seventy-six.

That seven young men have offered their lives in service to the Church in their home Diocese of Saskatchewan which has suffered long form the shortage of men. (Five are now training at Emmanuel College for the ministry and two have entered the Church Army Training Centre in Toronto.

For the establishment of new missions at both Spence Bay and Sugluk in the Diocese of the Arctic.

Let us pray

For the people of Niigata, Japan, 5,000 of whom have been left homeless from the typhoons and the resulting fires which swept across the city.

For Reginald and Betty Savary, missionaries in Tokushima, Japan that they may be given the wisdom, grace patience and courage needed at all times to live as Christian witnesses in an indifferent and often hostile environment.

For David Ellis and Donald Whitbread, priests-in-charge of the new missions at Spence Bay, that God will guide and bless their work in these new areas.

In two weeks time they were giving four times more than they could afford. And they hadn't got a building programme or anything of that sort. The absolutely necessary elements are these:

- (1) That the parish priest wants to get the canvass done with such urgency that he is prepared to bestir himself.
- (2) That the canvassers pledge sacrificially (NOT a dollar a week).
- (3) That some of the people in the parish should be converted Christians. But, perhaps this is asking too much.

# Canon Davis Circles the Globe

Canon Davis, Field Secretary of M.S.C.C., is on tour visiting the fields of work of the Canadian Anglicans.



Flood damage in India is extensive. The Anglican Church of Canada, through its India Flood Relief Appeal, is sending aid to the people in the Diocese of Amritsar, the area most heavily damaged by October floods. Already \$12,000 has been sent from the Missionary society of The Anglican Church. Anglicans in every parish throughout Canada are being asked to contribute to the Relief Fund for these people. In the village shown above, a former Mosque now used as a Sikh place of worship remained standing and saved 125 children who took refuge on the roof during the floods. The older people lived in the trees which were loaded to capacity.

People desirous of giving to the India Flood Relief Appeal of The Anglican Church may send their cheque to The Treasurer, Missionary Society, The Anglican Church of Canada, 600 Jarvis Street, Toronto 5, Ontario.

For years I have heard of the beauty of Kangra Valley in this northern part of India. My first view of it was in no way disappointing.

Miss Marianne Nattress accompanied us up from Amritsar and as we journeyed she gave us some preliminary information on the different phases of the work which we should see. She warned us not to be shocked at the dilapidated state of the hospital buildings which bear the name, "Maple Leaf Hospital", and it was a good thing that she did. They are in an appalling condition to say the least. If the new hospital for which Dr. Florence Haslam has been waiting for twenty years is not soon built, I feel sure that parts of the present building will soon collapse. Plans are being drawn by the architect of the Ludhiana Hospital now under construction and which without a doubt will be one of the very finest hospitals, either Church or Civil, in all India when it is completed. Bishop Wilkinson is very hopeful that the first sod for the building of the Kangra Hospital will soon be turned. That will be a great day for the populace of Kangra Valley, both Christian and non-Christian. I can well understand that no one who has not lived in India for many years can ever comprehend the many difficulties, petty and major, which beset anyone who wants to either buy, rent or lease, or errect even the smallest building. Litigation is a major sport for many in this country and next to it in popularity is the filling in of forms and the securing of permits. I fear the latter sport has Western antecedents!

The Maple Leaf Hospital has at present accommodation for some forty patients. While the buildings are poor, the equipment is good and the reputation excellent. There is a small civil hospital in the town of Kangra, but its equipment and reputation are nothing to be compared to that gained by the Maple Leaf Hospital. The skill of Dr. Florence Haslam as a surgeon is known far and wide.

Quite unsolicited, as far as I was concerned, was the testimony of a man who

was walking around the grounds of the hospital the morning I was being shown around. His wife was a patient and he was living near the hospital during her treatment. He told me that he was a Government official and he was entitled to free hospitalization in a Civil Hospital near where he lived some fifty miles away, but he wouldn't dream of taking his wife to that place! He said we all would travel many miles to come here and be treated by Dr. Haslam and her Christian staff. That is frank testimony from a non-Christian and it is typical of their attitude expressed to me on every side during my short stay in India. I think part of the answer is to be found in the sympathetic attitude and feeling of concern for the individual as a person which they sense as soon as they come into a Christian institution. Healing comes about not merely by the skilful handling of instruments, but through love and sympathy and understanding.

One of the major difficulties of the Government Hospitals is the lack of nurses; most of the nurses in India are Christians. I have just visited the State of Kashmir and Jammu, which has a population runing into millions, and the only hospital training at the moment is the Rainawari Hospital having only twenty-five beds in use. It is still under construction and when completed will have around sixty. So urgent is the situation that they have commenced training girls already and the only applicants to be trained are Christian girls and they number five in all!

Disease is rampant in India! Everywhere you look the need for more adeqate care stares you in the face. Over half the children in India never live beyond fifteen. We know and believe that it cannot be the will of God the Father of all men that children when they are born into this world live their lives in such sordid suffering Jesus the Friend of little children, taught us that it is not so. He wants to help them. There should be a medical centre in every one of the 600,000 villages in India. The Government of India is doing its level best to improve conditions; too much praise can not be given to the efforts of the Honourable Raj Kaumari Amrit Kaur, the Minister of Health of for the whole of India. She, by the way is a devout Christian lady and the only Christian in the Federal Cabinet. It is one thing to strive to erect a medical centre in every village, another to staff it with the right kind of personnel. Here is an opportunity for the forces of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. On every hand I am hearing of, and meeting, those who have received the love of Jesus Christ into their hearts through their experience at the hands of Christian doctors and nurses. Medicine is definitely a means of evangelism. It is a gift of God, as we have seen through the life and character of Jesus our Lord.

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### **NEWS FOR YOUTH**



Most of the groups are working on their Mission Projects now. The J. A., G. A., and W. A. are all learning about the Anglican Communion throughout the world. What better chance is there to show the affiliation of the various parts of the W. A. family than to work toward having a mission project togethre? Every Anglican should be aware of what is going on in the Church all over the world. Now in the time to help to educate others. Watch for coming Parochial or Diocesan events to take place.

At the December meeting of the G. A. Council the girls saw a filmstrip "The Other Wise Man", based on the book by "Van Dyke". It is a good story that everyone should know. For the January Council meeting each group will be responsible for some food and a form of entertainment from one of our mission countries.

The number of G. A. Links is increasing. They are working for badges, reading the Book of the Year, "All One", and joining in various projects with the others. Every teen-aged Anglican girl should be affiliated with the G.A., either in a group or by correspondence as a Link.

The G. A. gives scholarships in Canada, India, and Japan. One of the five scholars in India is Mariam Tejwant Kaur. Miss Mae Coates, principal of St. Hilda's High School in Kangra tells about Tejwant in one of the missionary newsletters. Part of this letter comes to you, here:

Mariam Tejwant Kaur - is a new G. A. scholar. She has been in our hostel for some years. Her father found it quite a struggle to pay her fees. While in the hostel she became convinced that the Lord Jesus was her Lord and Saviour. She wanted to become a Christian but her parents were not agreeable and of course she was not of legal age to be able to do anything on her own. Before going home for a holiday she would beg for some simple books that she could take home and read to her parents which would interest them in Christ. She left to attend



MRS. JEAN SHIRLAW (W.A. Youth Worker)

High School elsewhere, being given some financial aid by one of our missionaries. Without this, her education could not have continued. She was eager for more learning. After I returned from furlough her father died and her mother entered the hospital with T.B. The child had no home and no means of support. There was a step-brother who seized what possessions the father had and wished to take the daughter and arrange a marriage which would bring him some financial benefit. She was sixteen. The mother begged us to protect her daughter. Since our High

School had just opened I brought her here. The brother tried to cause trouble. He told Tej that she would be forced to become a Christian. Whereupon she replied that being a Christian was a matter of the heart, and she had long since been one. It was a wonderful moment for her when a few months after her eighteenth birthday on June 15th, with her mother's consent, she was both baptized and confirmed. She had just learned, too, that she had passed her Matriculation Examination. She said, "I do not know why the Lord has been so good to me. I do not know how I can ever show my gratitude to Him". She is now taking a kindergarten Teachers' Course which is a two year course. Her mother will soon be released from the hospital as her cure seems certain. Tejwant is looking forward to the time when she will be able to live with her mother and support her. Tej is now eighteen years old and will write a letter to the G. A. of Canada to thank them for undertaking the expense of her training. She is a pretty girl, sings and dances well and is a born leader. I would like very much to take her to a G. A. meeting in Canada.

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## Woman's Auxiliary



To all Branches of the Women's Auxiliary, Girls and Juniors your executive extend all good wishes for the coming year.

#### United Thank Offering

Mrs. McIntyre, the Dominion Thank offering secretary extends to the officers and members of the Edmonton Diocesan Board her appreciation of their contribution to the United Thank Offering.

Eleven new candidates have entered the Anglican Women's Training College in Toronto and she is hoping there will be an increase in the U. T. O. again in the coming year.

There are twenty-one branches of the W. A. in the Diocese of Amritsar, India and their thank-offering is used to pay the salary of a woman worker.

#### Junior Auxilliary

Please will J. A. secretaries order material for uniforms as soon as possible from Mrs. W. T. Elkin, 11205-68 St. Edmonton. Felt for beanies is three dollars a yard and material for skirts is one dollar and fifty cents a yard.

If choosing a time for J. A. meetings is a problem, branches might like a suggestion coming from several groups. Juniors meet on Saturday morning at eleven o'clock. They bring their lunch and are finished their meeting by one o'clock.

Diocesan Council for Social Service
Are most grateful for the bundles of used clothing received from the W. A. branches and individuals during the past weeks. We thank you.

During the winter months the need for used clothing is urgent. At present we are very badly in need of children's clothes from two to ten years of age, also baby clothes. If you feel you have a worth while parcel your W. A. representative would appreciate a phone call at 85742, Mrs. Horne, who will arrange to have your parcel picked up.

In the November report issue of the Living Message, Mrs. Martin, the Dominion Social Service Secretary and Vice-president of Central Canada urges all Diocesan Boards and branches to elect a social service secretary, she feels that with an active and imaginative member in this office your programmes will be greatly enriched and many more women will find satisfying and congenial work. New Life Members

Mrs. C. Cornich, St. Johns Church, afternoon branch, Edmonton.

Mrs. T. MacEwan, Christ Church, afternoon branch, Edmonton.

Mrs. A. M. Sawyer, Edgerton.

Mrs. G. Jeans, St. Paul's Church, evening branch, Edmonton.

Ten divinity students including W. A. Missionary Candidates at A. W. T. C. received the usual Christmas gift of fifteen dollars from the Diocesan Board. Miss Berniece Lomas, R. N. is now in training and with her previous training will be a great asset to the Church as a whole.

Miss Verna Lomas of our diocese resigned as W. A. Candidate as she plans to be married. She was happy at the college and counts her year there a great blessing.

The Dominion Candidate Secretary asks that all Diocesan Candidate Secretaries and all members continue vigilant in looking for young women who want to devote their lives to the service of the Church. The opportunities for training and service should be made known to all groups of young women and individuals.

#### January Board Meeting

Will be held at St. Mark's Church, Edmonton, on January the thirteenth. It is an evening meeting and the guest speaker will be the Lord Bishop of Edmonton.

#### India — The Floods

In the December issue of the "Living Message there are two graphic accounts of the terrible floods in India. A letter from Miss Betty Giovetti of the Alexander High School, Amritsar and one from Miss Violet Clarke, M. S. C. C.

There is an appeal for flood relief in India and Pakistan, which the subcommittee of the Dominion Board of the W. A. approves. It is hoped all branches will consider this appeal. All contributions to be sent to your Diocesan Treasurer, Mrs. C. Harris, 10806-125 st. Edmonton.

#### An Announcement

The announcement of the marriage of the Rev. E. V. Matthew to Miss Anna T. Kurian, to take place at Mar-Thoma, Syrian -Church, Trichur, Trawancor Cochin, South India, on Thursday, Nov. 24th, 1955 was received. We extend to them both our best wishes for their continued service in the Church of South India.

The Rev. E. V. Matthew paid a visit to Edmonton in the summer of 1954 for one month, while he was studying in Toronto. He addressed many branches and all Deanery meetings during his stay in the Diocese.

A committee set up to suggest the revision of the Members' prayer met and the following prayer was submitted and will be sent to the Dominion Committee for consideration among others to be sent from each Diocesan Board:

"Heavenly Father, we thank Thee for the assurance that Thy Holy Spirit is ever with us guiding and directing our endeavors to extend Thy Kingdom on earth. We beseech Thee to grant Thy blessing upon the work of the Woman's Auxilliary at home and abroad. Give us quietness and courage, strength and kindliness that growing in Thy likeness we may go forward in Thy service to be living witnesses to Thee and Thy Holy Word. We ask it in the name of Jesus Thy Son Our Lord — Amen.

This prayer will be discussed at the coming evening board meeting January 13.

We are reminded by our Dominion President to study the report on Women's work in the Church. This committee hopes to furnish us with more copies of the report which was submitted to the General Synod which met in Edmonton this past year. A portion of the report was printed in the October Churchman.

The Executive hopes to have a panel discussion on this question at the annual meeting in Edmonton in the

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Bishop Tom Greenwood of the Yukon; speaker at the forthcoming Layman's Banquet (See Diocesan News)

# The Mothers' Union

The following is an extract taken from a letter received from Mary Summer House. The London headquarters of the organization, written by the Central President Mrs. Dorothy M. Roberts.

"In 1956 the Mothers Union will be Celebrating its 80th anniversary and to mark this event in our history it has been decided to call the whole membership to a concentration of prayer that the Christians standard of marriage may be more universally accepted through-out the world, and that both as individual members of the Mothers Union, and as a corporate body we may seek more diligently to make ourselves more worthy channels through which God may make His will known in family life. This question of the paramount importance of the christian home was constantly in the mind of our foundress, Mary Sumner, and in going through some of our archives recently we were struck by the frequency with which she appealed to the growing membership to accept the responsibility for upholding the christian teachings on marriage, and for sharing in the evangelistic witness of the Church in the realm of home life, in the face of increasing apathy and lowering of moral standards. Nothing we are sure, could

be a greater tribute to her memory than that the 80th year of the society should be celebrated by a concentration of prayer for this vital aspect of life.

I would suggest that the prayer at the end of this letter be used at all branch and Diocesan meetings, and that members be encouraged to use it regularly in their private devotions".

O Lord Jesus Christ,

Who has taught us that if the house will stand
It must be built upon a rock

For otherwise it falls; Grant us in the Mothers' Union To stand firm on the rock of thy word-

That those whom God hath joined

May not by man be put asunder; That love must never fail That the blessing upon

obedience and sacrifice

Is to know that all things are
possible with Thee:

possible with Thee; And, according to Thy guiding, Grant us, in our inward faith and

outward witness,
To bring encouragement and hope

To those who falter
Through ignorance, or weakness,
or despair,

To the glory and their great rejoicing, Who with the Father and the Holy Chost

Art God for ever and ever.

Amen.

#### Anglican Church Appoints Archivist

The Rev. Thomas Reagh Millman, Ph.D., D.D., has been appointed by the Central Executive Committee of The Anglican Church of Canada as General Synod Archivist. This appointment marks a signifiant advance in General Synod policy. It recognizes the extreme importance of developing an Archives Department, wherein all records, documents, periodicals and other literature relating to Canadian Anglican history may be collected, catalogued and preserved in the rooms provided for this purpose in Church House. Until the present time, the Secretary of the Archives Committee, the Rev. Canon A. R. Kelly, of Montreal, has given valuable service in assembling materials and furthering, in all possible ways, the interests of the work.

At the 1955 session of General Synod legislation was enacted specifically defining the duties of the Archives Committee and providing for the appointment of an archivist. His duties are as follows:

(a) To co-operate with the Registrar in his duties.

(b) To preserve safely, arrange and index all journals, files, papers, reports, minutes, legal documents, contracts, publications, enactments canons and other records relating to the Synod and its departments and to regulate access to the use of all such records.

(c) To organize a Reference Library, relating to the history, activities and affairs of the Church in Canada, and the Anglican Communion.

(d) To co-operate with the Canadian Church Historical Society in promoting interest in the history of the Anglican Church of Canada.

Dr. Millman is eminently qualified, as theologian and historian, to serve as archivist of General Synod. Professor of Church History, Wycliffe College, Toronto, he received his early education in Prince of Wales College, Charlottetown, P.E.I., his M.A. from the University of Toronto, Ph.D. from McGill and D.D. from the University of Western Ontario. He is a graduate of Wycliffe College and was, for fourteen years engaged in teaching and parochial work in the Diocese of Montreal. For five years he served on the staff of Huron College, London,

Ontario. He is the author of Jacob Mountain, First Lord Bishop of Quebec (Toronto, 1947) and The Right Rev. the Honourable Charles James Stewart, second Bishop of Quebec (London, 1953).

Assisting Dr. Millman in the performance of his duties at Church House is Mrs. G. L. Spragge of Toronto, who has been trained as an archivist.

#### WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

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Spring. You must have decided ideas on this matter, so please read this report, discuss it with your members, and be ready to intelligently discuss and bring action to bear upon the decisions finally.

#### Japan

On March 17, Ryuyo (Willow Castle) kindergarten Teacher's Training College, Nagoya held their Graduation Ceremony for the first class to graduate since the school received Junior College status. Twenty-three young women, most of them going to work in Christian kindergartens, received their diplomas from the principal, Miss Francis Hawkins.

# Rural Deanery of Edmonton

CHRIST CHURCH Canon E. S. Ottley

As the days go on the tempo of our Church life continues to advance. Among many other events was the visit of members of the Canterbury Club on the evening of the last Sunday in November. We are grateful to them for swelling the number of our Congregation. The Adult Confirmation Instructions were ended early in December, and on the evening of December 7th the Bishop was with us to administer the laying - on of hands to twelve adults. whom we now welcome into all the privileges of membership of the Church.

Our Sunday School Christmas parties were held on Friday, December 16th. In the afternoon, after a brief programme by the children of the Beginners' Department, and a feast of refreshments, Santa Claus arrived and distributed gifts to the boys and girls. The evening programme of movies and food for the Main School was well attended, as usual, and enjoyed by all who came. Then, on the evening of December 18th., the Sunday School and Choir combined in a joint presentation of the Christmas story in Carols, Anthems, and a series of Tableaux of the birth of Jesus. The Church was excellently adapted for the occasion, and the Christmas Story extremely well done by both the Choir and the children of the Sunday School. For the excellence of the occasion we owe a great debt to Mrs. H. Gutteridge and the Teachers and Officers of the Sunday School, and to Mr. Donald G. Brown, Choirmaster, Mr. Merk Minnesma Organist, and to the members of the Choir. The evening of December 18th will live long in the memory of our people.

W.A. — The main topic of the fall season, the Annual Bazaar, is now over, and it was voted a great success. The Bazaar was opened by Mrs. J. Grant Sparling, who gave a most inspiring little address. The Convenors were Mrs. Anderson and Mrs. Williamson the latter taking the place of Mrs. J. F. Thompson at short notice. They are to be congratulated on a good job. During November the W.A. catered for one wedding and a supper. Deliveries of clothing were made to the Social Service Rooms, and money given to purchase quilts. The chapters of the Study Book on Quebec and Newfoundland were reviewed by Mrs. Ottley. Kitchen equipment was thororoughly gone over and cleaned. At the St. Andrew's Day Service, Mrs. T. MacEwan was presented with her Life Member's Pin by Mrs. Hammett. The old suite in the Lounge, which was being re-upholstered, arrived in time for the Bazaar and was much admired. At the December meeting the Dorcas boxes were turned in, and the E.C.D. money. Arrangements were made to purchase gifts for Camsell Hospital, these to be delivered by Mrs. A. J. McLachlin.

Finally, when funds were voted away, after a sizeable gift to the Vestry donations were made to the following: Anglican Women's Training College, Indian Flood Relief, Divinity Students' Fund, Sunday School by Air, Elizabeth House, and the Bible and Prayer Book Society. All bills were paid, as were the pledge and affiliation fees, as the members ended a happy and success -

#### St. JOHN THE EVANGELIST The Rev. Wm. Sewell

Christmas is in the air as we prepare the parish news

The highlight of our church life this month was the visit of four very good friends of St. John's. We were pleased to welcome the Rt. Rev. H. H. Clark, Bishop of Edmonton, and Mrs. Clark, and the Rev. C. C. McPherson, Rector of Mannville, and Mrs. McPherson. The Bishop confirmed twelve adults and received one adult from the Roman Catholic Church. Prior to the Confirmation Service the Bishop baptized two infants,

Don. Richard, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Sastcott and Jeffrey Alan, son of Rev. and Mrs. Wm. Sewell.

The Clergy of the Diocese held a Conference and Quiet day the first week

Boy Scouts, Girl Guides, Brownics and Cubs were warmly welcomed at their Church Parade in St. John's on Decem-

Mrs. C. Cormick was presented with her Life Membership in the W.A., the membership pin was the gift of the Afternoon Branch.

The Men's Club held their Christmas Party in the Cathayan Cafe—this oriental setting was flavored with tales of a Sky Pilot in a mining town—Rev. A. J. B. Hough, narrator.

The Chancel Guild's Christmas party was an enjoyable affair at the home of Mrs. E. H. Martin. Gifts were wrapped for St. John's House.

The many gifts for the Indian Residential School in the Diocese of Athabasca

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The children of the Sunday School enjoyed with as much enthusiasm as ever, the three Christmas parties for each department. The Ladies of the W.A. Groups catered to the tastes of the young folk. Movies and concert provided the entertainment and Santa of course provided the thrills for each and everyone. And now our thoughts turn to the joy and happiness of Christmas Day itself when a Family Service and three Communion Services will be held in the St. John's.

#### ST. LUKE'S Canon A. Wallis

W.A.—Although it has been a severe winter, the weather was reasonably fa-vourable on Wednesday, November 23rd when many friends and visitors met for a cup of tea at the Fall Sale of Work in the Parish Hall. It was hard to choose from the many stalls-fancy work, doll's clothes, candy, home-cooking, a wishing well and a fish pond for young and old. A City Florist donated the beautiful floral decorations. The members of both Groups of the W.A. attended Corporate Communion on St. Andrew's Day at 10 a.m.

A.Y.P.A.—The A.Y.P.A. Military Whist held in the Parish Hall on Tuesday, December 6th, in spite of the weather, was well attended and all enjoyed the social gathering and "Carol Singing" led by Miss Helen Henderson.

The presentation of The Nativity Ta-bleaux given on Sunday, December 11th at both morning and evening services and the presentation of gifts at the manger made one's heart fill with joy—gifts for Frog Lake, Diocesan Social Service and the needy of our own Parish

The scenes were reverently portrayed with Bert Patterson as narrator; the story of the journey to Bethlehem and the ensuing events as told by Joseph. The Choir rendered special music and anthems. There was not room to accommodate all, but next year we hope to be in our new Church and will be able to seat twice as many.

The Building Committee are really on their toes and blue prints are near completion, estimates are being prepared and the thermometer outside the Church has risen somewhat, even though the Mercury has "stuck"

The Canvass Committee has met on three occasions since the Every Member Canvass and have almost finalized their report. About 80 percent of the members were visited. Due to the lack of canvassers and the cold wetather, it was disappointing not to have made a 100 percent canvass.

In keeping the Canvass Committee active through the year, it is hoped that through their efforts many Anglicans will be-come conscious of their spiritual

Special Christmas services will commence with a Nine Lesson Carol Service on Sunday evening December 18th, Midnight Service on Christmas Eve, Holy Communion at 8.30 and 12.15 and Family Service at 11 o'clock on Sunday, December 25th. To all our parishoners we express warm wishes for a happy and blessed Christmas filled with peace and contentment.

Word has been received from Victoria, B.C. of the death of Mr. O. Holden after a lengthy illness. The Holden family were among the Pioneers of St. Luke's. Mr. Holden himself was a member of the "Owls" Club that did so much toward the building of our present structure, while Mrs. Holden one of the members of the Womans' Auxiliary in the early days of St. Luke's history, returning for a visit here a few years ago, at which time she was honoured with a Life Membership in the Diocesan W.A. We extend our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Holden and family.

Baptisms-Nov. 20. Shirley Ann Johnson.—Dec. 4. David Bruce Clevely.— Dec. 18. Robert Eric Smith.

Marriage — Nov. 19. Derek Vivian Everard and Pearl Hunchak.

#### St. MARK'S PARISH 111 Street and 108 Avenue Rev. G. W. Wilson

Rev. Wilson, wardens and all the members of the Vestry extend a Very Prosperous New Year to all the Parishoners of St. Mark's and do hope everyone had a joyous Christmas. Thanks to everyone who helped in the Groups, Sunday School and financial contributions to the Church this past year and it is hoped the same co-operation will be extended in this new year forth coming. Special Christmas Carol Service were held during the Christmas Season, with Family Service being held on Dec. 18, on Dec. 24 Christmas Eve. Holy Communion was held at 11.30 p.m. Christmas Day Service commenced at 8.30 a.m. with Holy Communion, Family Service at 11 a.m. and Holy Communion at 12.00 noon.

Afternoon Group—The President Mrs. W. Fleming extended Holiday Greetings to the members of the Auxiliary and thanked them for their co-operation to her during the past year and a special thanks for their help at the Annual Christmas Bazaar and Tea which was so successful in all ways. The Group was able to make generous donations to both the Vestry and Building Fund and also is purchasing chairs for the Hall and helped finance some of the expense of re-modelling the kitchen along with the Funds from the disbanded Girls Group.

Evening Group—The President Mrs. J. Taylor thanked the Group for the support they had given her during the year. The Bazaar proved very successful and the W.A. were able to donate generously to both the Vestry and Building Fund and also to purchase a few chairs for the Hall. On Jan. 13th the Group will serve tea when the Diocesan Board Meeting

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will be held in the Hall. The Bishop will be guest speaker and his topic will be on The New Prayer Book.

Junior Auxiliary—On Sunday, Dec. 18 at the morning service the girls will be presented with the stripes and badges they have earned this Fall. Their last meeting of the year will be held on Monday, December 19.

Sunday School—The Sunday School this year is making up two Food Hampers for needy families. The Annual Christmas Concert was held in the Hall on December 21st at 6.30 p.m. with a good turn out. Santa with his pack of candy and goodies proved popular with the youngsters of the Sunday School. The Sunday School is progressing very favorably under the leadership of the new Superintendant Mr. K. Wolveton.

Choir—The Choir were very busy over the Christmas Season, they had a service at the Aberhart Sanitorium on Sunday, Dec. 4th, the Carol Service on Dec. 18th, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day were very much enjoyed by all. Choir were out for the Services.

A.Y.P.A.—The young people took part in the Diocesan Charade Contest which was held at Holy Trinity Parish on December 16th. The A.Y. Christmas party was held on Dec. 22nd in the Parish Hall.

The Cub Mothers made a presentation to Mr. Bray who had been assisting with the Cub Pack and who has been transferred out of the City. Mr. J. Taylor was also honoured for his work as Cub Master. He has now taken over the duties of Scout Master.

#### ST. BARNABAS JASPER PLACE Canon J. C. Matthews

The Annual Parishioners Meeting will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 11 at 8

The W.A. ladies have held the election of officiers for 1955 with the following

Mrs. Ralston, re-elected President.

Mrs. Ross, Vice President. Mrs. Minter, Secretary.

Mrs. Wiggins, Treasurer.

Mrs. Williams, Dorcas Secretary. Mrs. Cheaters, Educational Secretary

and Living Message. Mrs. Bayley, Thankoffering Secretary

and E.C.D.

Mrs. Hinchliffe, Little Helpers. Mrs. Peer, Sick Visitor.

Mrs. Wiggins, Prayer Partner.

The Annual Reports will be read at the Parishioners Meeting.

The A.Y.P.A. has been meeting regularly on alternate Sunday and Monday nights and the membership is growing.

Some of the newly confirmed girls are helping in the Sunday School.

Confirmation Classes will start soon after the New Year holidays.

We have the new Notice Board set up now and have permission to erect another at the corner of 158 St. and S.P.R.

The Every Member Canvass was carried out successfully on a Sunday afternoon and evening last month. The canvassers had lunch together after the morning service and finished up with another lunch at Mrs. Ralston's house about 10 p.m.

The Visit of Canon Teape preparatory to the canvass was a great help.

Brian John Miller was baptized on Sunday, Nov. 27th.

At the last Vestry Meeting a committee was appointed to see what plans can be made to move the old St. Faith's church to the lot on which St. Barnahas stands. This will not be for some time after the new St. Faith's is finished but the offer has been made to give us the building free of charge and we certainly mean to do our best to accept this generous gift.

### ST. GEORGE'S, FT. SASKATCHEWAN

The Rev. S. H. F. Jarvis

The fall season and the Advent season at St. George's have been very busy ones. The bazaar and tea and the annual turkey dinner sponsored by the W.A. were very successful financially. The proceeds of the tea, sponsored by the Sunday School teaching staff with the assistance of a donation from the W.A., will enable the Sunday School children to have a Christmas party.

A branch of the J.A. was formed under the leadership of Mrs. J. F. Bellwood with a membership of sisters.

The vestry reports that the Every Member Canvass is making good progress. The mortgage to the Public Trustee was retired recently which

leaves the Diocesan Loan the only outstanding debt.

The W.A. purchased sufficient linoleum tiling to cover the W.A. room, the vestry and the connecting passageways in the church and with the help of several vestrymen the tiling was laid.

This helps a great deal in the cleanliness of the church. The vestrymen have also been occupied in the making of chair pews.

The following were baptized recently: Marian Elda Meikle; Evelyn Mary Darling; two infant sons of Mr. and Mrs. P. Smith; one infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bilton.

The service of confirmation was held on Oct. 30-the Rt. Rev. H. H. Clark, Bishop of Edmonton, officiating. A reception was held for the candidates and their families in the Union Hall following the service. Following is a list of those confirmed: Jean Bodill; Cyril Charles Bodill; Helena Jane Grice; Norma Eleanor Stepanko; Sylvia Harriett Miller; Marion Elda Meikle; Evelyn Mary Darling; Eva Irene Bellwood; John Francis Bellwood; Orland Douglas McEwon; Charles Victor Edwards; Ruth Alice Mills; Cyril Robert Mills; Margaret Kedra; Halleen Charlotte Thomlinson; Marion Diane Darling; David Evan Jenkins. Also at this service his Lordship dedicated a number of Hymn and Prayer books to the glory of God and in loving memory of J. A. L. O'Brien and John Meikle and also a wine cruet from the Memorial fund to Mrs. A. Stannard, Mr. L. Browne and Mr. A. Blait.

So, our parish enters another New Year with confidence and with the hope that God's blessings may become known to all of you and that you may find joy in His work.

#### ST. MARY'S, REDWATER The Rev. S. H. F. Jarvis

The newly confirmed took part in their first communion service on November

We are now enjoying two morning services a month. These will be on the first and fourth Sunday of every month at 8.30 a.m. This seems to be our parish's favorite hour of worship.

The November meeting of the W.A. was held at the home of Mrs. Millman. Our education secretary, Mrs. Purschke, showed us a film on the missionary work being done in India.

Many thanks to Mr. Millman for making repairs to the projector so that we were able to enjoy this very interesting film.

Arrangements were made at this meeting for our annual Christmas party for our members, which was held on December 4th. At this party we entertained the members of the Ladies Aid of the United Church. There was a good turnout and we all had a very enjoyable time.

Mrs. Shirlaw visited our Sunday School on November 27th and showed us a film on the "Churches of Many Lands".

### ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS The Ven. Archdeacon S. F. Tackaberry

Every member visitation and canvass—The parish is much indebted to an enthusiastic group of canvassers who did their work well and promptly. They received a sympathetic response. Many new families have become envelope subscribers—including several younger unmarried members who are working. We greatly appreciate this. A few have not yet named a definite amount, and a few have not yet been visited.

The Christmas Pageant was an excellent production. The preparation and training was well done and the parts well taken. There was a large attendance. Thanks are due to those in charge and to those who arranged the platform and other properties. The visit of Santa Claus was exciting.

The new cabinet in the hall to hold property of the various organizations will fill a great need which has existed all along. Thank you very much, gentlemen.

The Church Boy's League will begin operations in St. Michael's Hall on Wednesday, January 4th, at 7.00 o'clock in the evening. We have needed a boy's organization parallel to the J.A. and the G.A. which are doing such good work in St. Michael's, and the C.B.L. is the answer. There is a good programme and weekly meetings on Wednesdays under trained leaders.

### BON ACCORD The Rev. S. H. F. Jarvis

Many months have passed since any news from Bon Accord has appeared in the Churchman but the church's activities have been going on a strong as ever. Two or three vestry meetings have been held with a good attendance at each. The Every Member Visitation an Canvass was the chief discussion at each and also the need for and the possibility of a Sunday School for the children. The Every Member Canvass is on at the present time with very rewarding results so far. Sunday School was organized Sunday, December 4th in the Community

Centre Hall with a good number of pupils and 5 teachers. Teachers are: Misses Ellen and Carol Schneider, Mrs. F. McCarty, Mrs. F. Everritt and Mr. John Morris. Mr. Albert Hewitt is acting as superintendent. Sunday School will be continued every Sunday at the regular church hour thus enabling the parents to attend the church service while children are in Sunday School.

At the Harvest Thanksgiving service in September the Rev. S. H. F. Jarvis dedicated a pair of beautiful bronze candlesticks presented to the church by Mrs. C. B. Buchanan in memory of Pte. Clyde B. Buchanan killed in action Aug. 12th, 1944.

Mr. Jarvis also prepared a number of candidates for confirmation during the summer. The Rt. Rev. H. H. Clark, Bishop of Edmonton, visited the parish on Sunday, October 30th to bestow the blessing of the Laying on of Hands to the class. Candidates presented by Rev. Jarvis were: Geoffrey Milligan, Franklin Milligan, Donald Bland, Audrey Allen, Michael Buchanan, Garry Bland, Maureen Wilson and seniors Mrs. R. L. Rigney, Mrs. J. Morris, and Mr. William Schneider. The Bishop also dedicated the beautiful hand-carved Communion Rail presented to the church by Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Milligan in memory of w/o Geoffrey Eaton Milligan who died in the service for his country September 10, 1942, while serving with the R.C.A.F. Following the service, members of the congregation had a chance to meet the Bishop and visit with one another at a social hour in the Community Centre where tea and light refreshments were served by the W.A.

W.A. meetings have been carried on quite regularly throughout the summer, the Nov. one being at the home of Mrs. J. H. Bland with perfect attendance. It was reported at this meeting that members are doing a big business in blankets and Christmas cards. Anyone having need for woollen blankets, bed-spreads, comforters, floor rugs, etc. may place an order with any member of the W.A. and they will receive prompt attention.

The last meeting held Wednesday, December 14th at the home of Mrs. Buchanan took the form of a Christmas party with exchange of gifts. Despite the fact that everyone is still busy digging themselves out after the fierce blizzard of December 12th, all members were in attendance but three and there were several visitors. Plenty of Christmas goodies were served at the close of the meeting by Mrs. Buchanan and her niece Miss Virginnia Toane.

The next meeting which is the annual one with election of officers will be held January 11st at the home of Mrs. S. F. Burton.

Marriages: Violet Joyce Burton to George Wilkinson—June 9; Lucy Agnes Bland to Floyd Armand McCarty—June 29; Doreen Elizabeth Carleton to Russell Pawluk—October 27.

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# Rural Deanery of Pembina

ST. LUKE'S, CLYDE The Rev. R. A. Sayer

Life at St. Luke's continues despite the ups and down of the weather. The combined efforts of Messrs. Berwick and Lazerte result in a cozy building no matter how cold it may be outside. A few changes have been made in the Sanctuary of the Church. The re-table which formerly was raised some distance above the Altar has been lowered to rest at the same level as the Altar which improves the general appearance of the Sanctuary. However, the change left glaring evidence of the need for a paint job which is now being considered. It is our intention to paint the interior of the Church in pastel shades to replace the stark white which at present makes the Church look more like a Hospital.

Plans have been made for our Christmas service which will be a celebration of the Holy Communion early Christmas Eve. Instead of wasting money having the electricity turned on for just one service, we plan to light the Church with gas lamps aided by candlelight.

We are very happy to have our recent visitors to the Westlock Hospital, Mrs. Grant, Mrs. Nelson and Miss Blondin back in town with us for the Christmas season.

#### CHRIST CHURCH, JARVIE The Rev. R. A. Sayer

We continue to worship regularly at Christ Church be the Church hot or cold. And this is saying a great deal. To date we cannot say that we have been particularly satisfied with our recent change-over to propane. One evening the Vicar and Mr. Horrocks arrived to find that after a 24 hour period the chill was barely off, so they set to and lit the old reliable stove. Even though it meant hauling the organ and other furnishing close to the stove we were at least spared from freezing unsightly though our Church would have appeared to an outsider.

The W.A. held their annual Bazaar and Tea early in December with most gratifying results. Perhaps the money might have been used to continue payments on the heating equipment, but as the situation now stands we may consider using it for a false ceiling, the installation of which appears necessary if we are to keep any heat down where it is needed. The men of the Vestry also hope by the aid of a turkey to add a considerable amount to our funds. The results of this will be known later in Decem-

Early in the new year we plan to continue re-modelling Christ Church by the addition of some better furnishing which we are to obtain from a church now no longer in use. When these changes are made, perhaps we shall be

able to carry on ourselves by improving our supply of linens and hangings.

Plans have been made to hold our Christmas service on the morning of Christmas Day at 11 o'clock. The decorating and providing of flowers is in the hands of the ladies, but who will guarantee us any heat?

#### ST. PHILIP'S, WESTLOCK The Rev. R. A. Sayer

Most of our news this month is a continuation of our recent articles on changes, additions and improvements. Going into the church one evening to warm it for Choir practice, the Vicar was startled to find that a beautiful Pulpit blonded and finished to match the Altar was sitting in the Church. The wonderful gift was made by a member of the parish who prefers to remain anonymous. Someone was heard to remark that the Vicar looked pretty up there. We doubt if he appreciated that, but he does report that it is warm at that great height. The Christmas spirit apparently hit Westlock early, for within a week after the arrival of the Pulpit, linoleum tiles in red and grey were given the parish to be laid in the Porch thus adding a bright and cheery finish to the entrance of the church. The gift of Mr. Hrushka, they were installed by Mr. W. Horrocks who at the same time carried out some minor repairs and improvements on the organ. Which reminds us, the arrival of the pulpit created a problem in arrangement. We finally installed the pulpit within the Communion rail along with the Prayer Desk. The lectern, Organ and Choir stalls we removed to the "south" side of the church which arrangement gives the church a larger appearance, and which we hope will strength Choir's influence over the congregation (for singing that

Mr. Hrushka added to his gift of tiles several quarts of paint in a shade which goes by the artistic name of "Florentine Ivory". This colour was the choice of the Vicar who some time ago decided that the "Anglican black" window frames had to go if St. Philip's was to continue its transformation from a drab to a delightful church building. He applied the paint himself and is willing to take full responsibility should anyone take a dis-like to the change.

On December 21st we will hold our Annual Church School Concert and visit of Santa Claus. This year the concert itself will be held in the Church. Each class in the School will present a skit depicting some aspect of their work work taken from the actual lessons used in the School. Following the Concert everyone will adjourn to the Hall where Santa will present each child with a treat. The ladies of the Guild have volunteered to cater for the occasion.

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#### ST. STEPHEN'S, ALCOMDALE The Rev. R. A. Sayer

We had our Harvest Festival and they say it was very nice, at the time I was away and had the pleasure of attending Mr. Potters' Harvest Service out Kitscoty way. It was a real inspiration and a beauti.ul sight. It can't be told in just a few words, so that will have to suffice .

Our Vestry met last month in our Parish Hall and the Every Member Canvass was discussed and soon after some of our Vestry members started. We wish them all the luck, and God willing. Every body do their best.

A generous donation was given to the Building Fund.

Our October W.A. Meeting was a joint meeting in the afternoon, with the

men having a building bee. They finished up the outside wall and the porch that day, and the W.A. planned their Supper and Bazaar for the 19th of Nov. We did very well on our supper and sale, in spite of weather conditions.

Due to cold weather our Nov. meeting was missed but held on Dec. 6th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thompson and a Vestry meeting as well. Last week the Vicar and Mr. Horrachs spent 3 days here working in our church and the inside really got a face lifting.

A vast change was noticed by the congregation. They are coming again this week and we hope to finish up and have a beautiful new inside for Xmas Service on Xmas Eve at 9:15.

Ano.her donation was received for the fund—we wish to thank the donators, God bless them.

The choir is glad to welcome him back.

St. Andrew's Service was held on November 30th. Rev. MacPherson conducted the devotional period.

Christ Church Mannville takes this opportunity to wish everybody a Happy and Successful New Year.

#### ST. ALBAN'S, CHAILEY

Service has been held regularly every two weeks but due to the snow storm which has blocked roads, I think the Christmas service of Holy Communion scheduled for Sunday, Dec. 18 with Rev. Minchin, Vermilion, as celebrant, will be cancelled, but we hope the roads will be opened.

W.A.—Mrs. Sutton was hostess to a very good attendance of W.A. members and a number of visitors at the Dec. meeting of the W.A. which was held Dec. 30 to combine St. Andrew's Service also the Annual meeting of the W.A. Fifty more dollars was voted to the Vestry to help the church obligations for 1955. This will be a hundred dollars given the Vestry during the last two months. Crochet cotton donated by Mrs. A. Holden of Mannville was crocheted into doilies by Mrs. R. H. Scott. These were sold. Mrs. O. Young handed in a patchwork quilt top. Miss Norman put a back on same.

Officers for 1956: Pres. Mrs. W. R. Cornish: Vice Pres: Mrs. Ted Cornish; Sec. Treas: Mrs. Gerald Coulter.

Committee of three: Mrs. M. McDonald, Mrs. O. Younge and Mrs. W. R. Jackson: Dorcas Sec. Mrs. R. H. Scott Little Helpers Sec. Mrs. Pat Cotter aided by Mrs. B. Scott.

Corr. for churchman: Mrs. W. R. Jackson; Auditors: Mrs. J. Clennett and Mrs. Syd. Jackson.

The January meeting to be held at the Vicarage.

# Rural Deanery of Vermilion

CHRIST CHURCH, MANNVILLE

Regular services have been held every Sunday. We were pleased to have the Rev. Clennett on Dec 11sh while Rev. MacPherson was in Edmonton.

The Sunday School Christmas will be over by the time this is in print but a report of same will be in the next issue.

Choir practise is held regularly each Wednesday. The weekly meeting of the C.B.L. and A.Y.P.A. also the G.A. are looked forward to by the young people.

The monthly meeting of the Happy Hour W.A. was held at the home of Joan Lugg. Final plans were made for the yearly Christmas tea was held on Dec. 5th. This tea proved very successful and we take this opportunity to thank all who participated in any way. Mrs. Marion Smith was presented with a cup and saucer from the W.A. She is leaving to make her home in Edmonton. Marion will be greatly missed as she has been a faithful W.A. member and a willing worker. She has been treasurer for the past year. However we all hope she will be happy in her new home. The W.A. has installed a gas range in the vicarage. The sick have been remembered. The Church Calendars were on hand for those who desired them.

A Vestry meeting was held in the Vicarage. The financial situation was discussed and plans were made to take care of some of the pressing obligations. Our Annual Meeting will be held sometime during the first part of January. A report of it will appear in the next issue of the Churchman. It was found that the Every Member Canvass was almost completed and had been successful. Thanks are due to those who gave of their services.

Christ Church W.A. held its monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. E. B. Allen. This W.A. did very well at the recent bazaar held in conjunction with the

Happy Hour Group. It was decided to give The Happy Hour W.A. fifty dollars to spend as they see fit. The Living Message had been renewed. It was decided to give Mrs. Johnston of Saskatoon (a charter member) five dollars for a Chris.mas gift. Our faithful Sunday School teachers will also be remembered as in the past. This is such a small way to show our appreciation of the wonderful work these teachers do. Many of the members bought calendars. A parcel of gifts was to be packed for Frog Lake Mission. Mrs. Rutherford to be in charge of this. Mrs. Nellie Whitson thanked the W.A. for the dark blinds so necessary in Sunday School work.

We are pleased to report that Mr. Chris Hamilton who has been ill is back to work again and is feeling much better.



#### ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH MARWAYNE

The Rev. A. E. Potter

The members of St. George's W.A. held a bake sale in the Crown Lumber Yard Store on Nov. 19th and sold a lot-of our bazaar articles made this past year. We cleared \$70.00 and we plan to have another sale same as this on Dec. 16th.

On Nov. 20th Rev. Brown from Clandonald had charge of our service here.

All seven of our Vesty members gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Reinheimer with Rev. Potter with us. Many things were discussed but chiefly the financing of the material to line the basement of the church to make it more comfortable for Sunday School and other purposes. The men have spent two or three days on it now and certainly have made some improvement. We started an organ fund so hope to be able to see some ways and means of making money toward it in the future.

Our Sunday School teachers are working on a short program with their pupils. A pot luck supper is planned for Dec. 20th in the basement of the church.

We are glad to report Mr. George Christopher back home after spending 10 days in the Lloydminister hospital.

Mrs. Curtis has had her three boys sick with the flu and colds. Billie and Donnie are back at school and we hope to see Kenny going back soon too.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Burke have a new grandson since Dec. 9th, and Mr. and Mrs. Brind of Onion Lake are the proud parents of a son.

Mrs. Reichus is leading the W.A. group at the Carol singing on Dec. 19th in the town hall.

Our annual W.A. meeting was held at Mrs. Bacon's on Dec. 2nd with 8 members present. Officers for next year are Mrs. Reinheimer, president; Mrs. Burke, vice-pres.; Mrs. Martha Hutchinson, secretary, and Mrs. Dorothy Fairbarn, dorcas secretary.

Rev. Potter baptized 15 children and 7 adults here last Sunday and the members of the W.A. ladies served doughnuts and coffee after church.

Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous 1956.

#### KITSCOTY

Holy Baptism—Dec. 11. Adults: Feitse John Bootsman; Norma Vivian Bootsman; Isabel Marion Lumley; Remono Ivy Anderson; Myrtle Audrey Prowse; Joyce Gail Prowse; Helen Josephine Buchanan.

Children: William David Buchanan; Barry Wayne Buchanan; Kelvin Karl Buchanan; Earl Gilbert Buchanan; Frederick Francis Culford; Rosemary Anne Culford; Karen Heather Culford; Linda Faye Gold; Marion Francis Lumley; Remona Irene Lumley; Myrna Marie Lumley; Lavina May Lumley; Dennis Alvin Lumley; Ellen Lee Anderson.

# Rural Deanery of Wetaskiwin

ST. MARY'S, PONOKA

The Rev. James A. Beairsto

Visit of Bishop Clark and dedication of new Parish Hall—Wednesday, December 14th was a "Red-letter" day for the congregation of St. Mary's. On this important day in our history our Bishop the Rt. Rev. H. H. Clark paid us his third visit in three months and formally opened our new Parish Hall with prayers of dedication. An account may be found in "Diocesan News".

Tuesday, Dec. 6th at the annual meeting of the Afternoon Group of St. Mary's W.A., Mrs. J. G. Smith was elected President. The following officers were also elected: vice-president, Mrs. E. Noden; secretary, Mrs. T. Matthias; Treasurer; Mr. James Paterson; Dorcas secretary, Mrs. M. Reese; Educational secretary, Mrs. E. Noden. Honorary Presidents of the group: Mrs. R. Peacock, Mrs. E. B. Paterson, Mrs. S. T. Byers.

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The Rev. J. Beairsto, vicar of the parish, presided during the election of officers. In a year-end address he thanked the W.A. for its work and commended particularly Mrs. W. J. Young, retiring President for her faithful service as head of the organization for five years.

Baptisms: Francis Colleen Taylor; Cheryl Cladys Lindstrand; Susan Lynn Mayled; Grant Duncanson Smith; Walter George Scott; Mrs. Yvonne Elizabeth Jones; Miss Ada Lorraine Sparks; Mr. Francis Witford Pewtress, David Clive Pewtress, Mrs. Perle Adelia Smith; Miss Phyllis Marie Elaine Smith; Robert Wayne Smith; Nancy Perle Stowe; Randall Orville Rasmussen.

Confirmations: Thomas John Malin; Donald Campbell Sr.; Hazel Eleanor

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Marriages: Alan Johnson Gordon to Kathleen Margaret McCuaig; Charles Joseph Mateska to Gladys Sylvia Green; Wallace Willard Maygard to Rita May Smith.

Deaths: Francis Beatty Mundy; Elizabeth Mary Griffiths; Stanley Boy Chuck (of Vilna, Alberta).

#### IMMANUEL, WETASKIWIN

The Rev. Warren Greatrex

The Annual Little Helpers' Service was held in November, at which were presented the Mite Boxes for the Mission Work of the Church, and a party followed in the Parish Hall, convened by the Superintendent, Mrs. Charles Climie, which was greatly enjoyed.

The W.A. Corporate Communion was held on St. Andrew's Day and an A.Y. P.A. Corporate Communion at the early service on 11th December, followed by a breakfast in the Parish Hall.

The Every Member Visitation and Canvass is about 90 per cent complete, with over 90 per cent of the 1956 budget pledged—indicating the energy of the visitors and the generosity of those visited.

Our Sunday School Superintendent, Mr. Walter Kimmel, and his family are going to British Columbia. Tokens of appreciation for their share in Parish Life were given to Mr. and Mrs. Kimmel at a Congregational Social Hour after Evensong, and to Mrs. Kimmel at a meeting of the Evening Branch W.A.

Mrs. Mary Jane Weston, probably the oldest member of our Parish, celebrated her ninety-first birthday on 4th Decem-

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The Parish Bazaar and Tea, sponsored by the W.A. Branches, was attractively arranged, and was enjoyed by young and old.

A sterling silver Chalice and Paten were dedicated to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Henry James Clark at the Family Service on Remembrance Sunday. A memorial fund initiated by the Staff and Board of Queen Elizabeth Public School, and supplemented by the family and friends, made this fine remembrance possible.

Holy Baptism: James Ian Clark; Edna May Jackson; Judith Louise Jackson; Donna Lorraine Jackson; Nicholas John Towie; Roderick James Towie; Christopher Rees Towie.

Holy Burial: James Colleton; Percy Hoyle.

### ST. JOHN'S, MILLET The Rev. Warren Greatrex

The annual Pre-Christmas Bazaar and Tea was held in the Legion Hall in November, with all the members of the Church Guild working together to produce a happy and rewarding afternoon for all who attended.

Our Church organist, Mrs. Blanche Morrow, has moved to Edmonton with her family. A presentation was made to her in appreciation of her faithful service.



#### ST. ANDREW'S, CAMROSE

As this will be the Christmas issue, The Rector would like to extend Christmas greetings to all members of the Parish and God's blessing on all in the coming New Year.

As usual, The Parish has managed to keep our Rector busy and he regrets that due to a misunderstanding he was unable to open the excellent tea and bazaar of the Afternoon W.A. The tea, as usual, was delicious and the delicatessen table was an inovation and an outstanding success. Many compliments have been received for the good work that was done. The sale was well attended and is closed the year with a good bang for the Afternoon group.

The Evening Group are busy selling their cookbooks which have just arrived. They were very well produced and so far sales seem promising. If anybody wants a good recipe, this is the spot to come. It is even rumored that the Rector is considered buying one, but after the last meeting of the Evening Group, it is wondered if he wouldn't prefer a cook. The Evening Group have also been busy catering, first for a wedding and then a luncheon for the Visitors of the

"Every Member Canvass".

This visitation was very ably carried out of the members of the Vestry and, as usual, a warm reception was received. The Treasurer reports that the pledges reflect our dependence on the rural economy. This is only right, and we should not be discouraged. The Church shares our good fortune and our bad fortune, we should remember it in our ups as we expect it to remember us in our downs.

The Choir has had a busy Advent preparing for the Carol Service and, from the sound of the practices, their work should be much appreciated by the congregation.

The J.A. received their stripes and badges at Morning Service at Church. We extend our congratulations to them on their achievements.

The G.A. have been working on their badges and we hope soon to report on their progress. Both the G.A. and the J.A. shared with the W.A.'s a very interesting evening of films on the missionary work of the Church. Mrs. Jean Shirlaw gave a very instructive talk and all felt heartened by the tremendous task that the Church has undertaken.

The Altar Guild, as usual, have been busy and the new red hangings for our Saints Days are ready. We hope to use them first on St. Thomas Day. They have also purchased a lovely large pair of brass vases for use on the Altar. This will allow us to have larger bouquets without fear of spilling.

Last, but not least, the visiting committees have all been busy and we are grateful for the new families that have been welcomed into the Church.

The Bishop administered the Rite of Confirmation to nine adults on the Eve of Advent Sunday and spoke simply and movingly of the joys of life to which they are called. The service of First Communion held the next day was tremendously moving to all who remembered their Confirmation. We all owe a great debt to our Bishop for the inspiration and grace with which he leads us to the great gifts of God.

#### ST. DUNSTAN'S BITTERN LAKE

The Rev. E. M. Evans

On Nov. 28th the G.A. and their leader, Mrs. H. Ramsell, sponsored an entertainment in the Community Hall. Mrs. Thishaw, Youth Worker in the Diocese, was present and showed films depicting life in various Missions throughout the world.

Lunch was served by the W.A. and a silver collection was taken to defray expenses.

The annual meeting of the W.A. was held Dec. 15th at the home of Mrs. Butcher. The Rev. E. M. Evans presided at the election of officers.

The retiring President, Mrs. J. G. Baker, has held that office for many years, and is looking forward to a well-earned rest.

The officers elected are: Mrs. Butcher, President; Mrs. H. Ramsell, Vice-President and Educational Secretary; Mrs. C. T. C. Roper, Sec.-Treasurer and Prayer Partner Sec.; Mrs. A. J. Martin, Dorcas Secretary; and the Flower Committee consists of Mrs. Baker, Mrs. Hagstrom and Mrs. Poper.

We were very pleased to have our Bishop with us for afternoon service, Nov. 27th.

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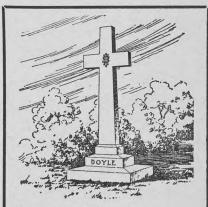
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A happy and prosperous new year to the many friends of the Cathedral. You will be glad to know that steady progress is being made with the construction of the new edifice, and before long we hope to announce the date of the opening service. The Cathedral is being built at great expense and additional funds are urgently needed for that purpose.

Christmas was preceded by concerts and parties for both of our Sunday schools. At the Cathedral, the excellent programme was convened by Mrs. J. Price and with the assistance of the two superintendents, Mrs. Sparling and Adrian Greenwood, plus the staff, a wonderful time was had. It commenced with a supper for parents and pupils, then the concert put on by the children, and concluding with the arrival of Santa who brought a gift for all. At the Mission, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Johnson were in charge and the evening was a gala event for all ending with a visit from St. Nicolas.

The Christmas services were holy and happy in the Cathedral, decorated with evergreens. The Bishop celebrated and preached at the Midnight Eucharist, and the Dean spoke at the Family Matins at 11:00. Canon T. W. Teape and the Reverend Enoch Fowler gave invaluable help. Mr. Barford led the congregational coral singing, and the choir merited the undying gratitude of all by providing excellent music at the three choral services.

#### ST. JAMES

The Ven. C. F. A. Clough

We are in a new year and the motto that has been adopted by the whole Canadian Church for 1956 is EVAN-GELISM. That means a re-dedication by each and every one of us who claims CHRIST as LORD and SAVIOUR. To proclaim CHRIST as SAVIOUR is a personal duty. Do your chrildren know that you believe Jesus Christ to be the Saviour? Do they know that you believe in Sacramental Grace? Or do you? Do they know that you believe in Sacramental Grace? Or do you? Do they know that you believe the Bible contains the Word of God? Do they ever see you in prayer? Do they ever see you in their Heavenly Father's House — just worshipping Him and giving Him thanks?

Parents remember—Religion is "caught" and our chrildren catch it from us their parents. Bring them to Church. Let them see you at prayer and let them hear you sing praise to God. The whole Church feels the time is NOW in this year of Grace for us to show our faith in Christ.

Wishing you every blessing in your home in the New Year.

The Sunday School Party — Which was postponed will be held at the Church this Friday — January 13th at 7 p.m. Come with your children and have a good time.

The W.A.—The whole parish is indebted to them for their loyal work and we thank them. Please note — the W.A. will meet the 16th and 30th for this month only. Then the second and fourth Mondays as usual at 8 p.m. in the Church.

The J.A. — Had their Christmas party and despite cold weather, a most enjoy able time was spent.

The Cubs and Scouts — We thank the scouts for their good deed in repairing the chairs.

The Annual Congregational Meeting—Will be held January 23rd at 8 p.m. Please turn out and show your interest in the Parish.

Social Gathering—February 3rd—A whist party will be held at 8 p.m. Come and bring your friends and be sociable.

Confirmation Class - 7:00 p.m. Thursday Choir Practice.. - 7:45 p.m. Thursday

#### ST. PETER'S

The Rev. Newlyn Humphries

The Christmastide Services at St. Peter's Church were very well attended.

The White Gift Service was held on Sunday, December 11th, shortly after noon, and as the church was full to capacity many gifts were recieved from the children.

On Friday December 16th the Men's Association sponsored a social evening for the congregation. Some fifty people came and enjoyed the evening which included a programme of games, community singing, monologues and musical items on piano and clarinette Mr. W. Harper was Master of Ceremonies and Mrs. H. Barnes provided nice refreshments.

On the Sunday before Christmas in the evening, the service was one of Christmas music and Scripture readings. A number of selections were rendered by the choir alone, but during the latter part of the service the congregation had opportunity of joining in the singing of the more familiar carols.

Some A.Y.P.A. members assembled before Christmas and did some work on the ceiling in the church hall basement. They also did some Christmas decorating outside the church; the church interior was appropriately decorated by ladies of the W.A. Evening Branch.

A party for the Senior grades of Sunday School was held on December 29th but the heavy fall of snow interfered with the skating part of the programme. The teachers conducted indoor games however and Mr. P. Brown operated the projector so that a Christmas film could be seen and finally the teachers served refreshments.

The Junior School party took place on December 19th. A complete staff of teachers was present to carry out a programme in which every class participated. Mrs. Bremness contributed some flanograph instruction and Mr. Waggs kindly operated the projector for the showing of "The Child of Bethlehem" film. Santa arrived and was in good form. Finally the ladies of the Guild served refreshments that were enjoyed by about eighty youngsters and a good number of parents.

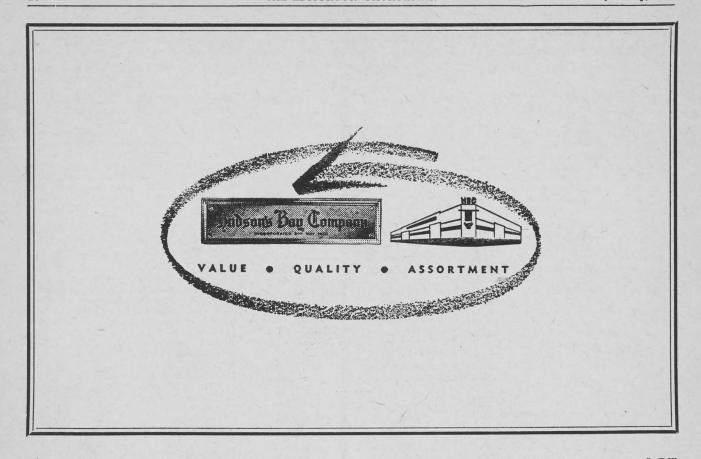
#### CANON DAVIS

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One of the high lights of our visit then to the Kangra Valley has been to go out with Dr. Constance Jackson in Dispensary Van Faith II. As we ascended the precipitous hills and traversed the roads made narrower because of the recent landslides she told us that the four corners where she held this particular clinic was a good spot to serve over fifty villages. It was at the suggestion of the local people that she set up shop there and, as the morning progressed, I could see scores of people squatted and waited their turn terraced fields towards the motor van. While we were there she saw over two hundred and fifty people. As the pe ople squatted and waited their turn to see the doctor, one of the Bible Teachers—a very talented young woman, a University graduate and gifted musician, gave them talks ranging all the way from Bible stories to food values and the prevention of tuberculosis. I would say all kindred subjects from a Christian point of view. The women obviously listened with great interest. illiterate though they were, for I could see them nodding their heads in approval when a point was gained. The little children stopped on their way to school and enjoyed hymns being sung and the pictures shown. So popular has the weekly clinic proved that a corner store has opened up in recent months and from what I could see it did a roaring business in transactions of one-half and one-quarter of a cent in our coinage!

India needs Public Health nurses in the worst way. The Canadian Church has the opportunity of sending more young women of the calibre of Miss Daisy Dunlop, Reg. N., who, when she is not learning the language, is along on the medical team with Dr. Jackson. All the workers in the Kangra Valley value and greatly need your prayers and help.

I am sorry there is not space in this article for me to tell you about the splendid work of Miss Marianne Nattress in village evangelism, or that of Miss Mae Coates in St. Hilda's Girls' School.



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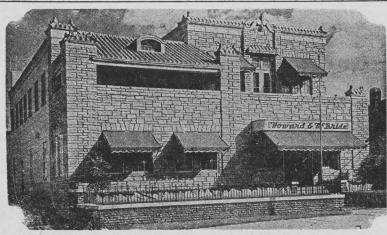
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